sanctioned to Rajasthan State out of the total amount received as aid from foreign countries and international organisations indicating whether the amount was utilised against the items for which it was intended and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) Approved outlay and expenditure during 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 for agriculture and allied activities for Rajasthan are given below:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Annual Plan	Approved Outlay	Expenditure
1992-93	17120	12824
1993-94	18215	16100
1994-95	24555	24580*

* Revised out lay

(b) No proposal for additional Central Assistance for Agriculture and Allied Activities has been received during 1995-96.

(c) So far as Agriculture is concerned, no amount has been allocated to Rajasthan out of aid received from foreign countries and International Organisations. However, Rajasthan has been given food assistance under World Food Programme (WFP) for four projects during 1993-94 and 1994-95. WFP does not provide any financial assistance. These four WFP Projects are as follows:—

(i) Project 259.03	Construction of Indira Gandhi Canal Project area Development Rajasthan.
(ii) Project 2600	Assistance to new settlers in the Indira Gandhi Nahar Project Area.
(iii) Project 2773.02	Employment through Forestry activities and Tribal Development Rajasthan.
(iv) Project 2206.06.	Supplementary food assistance for free school children, pregnant women and nurshing mothers.

Release of M.P.L.A.D S fund to District Collectors

5179. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether funds for 1995-96/ under the MPs Area Development Scheme are proposed to be released directly to the District Collectors, as was done last year;

(b) the reasons for not making a separate provision for this in the Budget for 1995-96; and

(c) what will be the role of State Governments in the implementation of this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) The funds would be released to

DRDAs. The funds would be directly under the control of District Collectors.

(b) Separate provision in the Budget for 1995-96 has already been made.

(c) The Schemes will be implemented by different State Government agencies and the District Collectors of the respective Districts would be responsible for the coordination and overall supervision of the works under this Scheme at the District level.

Families benefited under *IRDP* in Karnataka

5180. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of families benefited under IRDP in Karnataka upto 31.3.1995;

(b) the total amount of subsidy given under IRDP and the loan given by Banks upto 31.3.1995;

(c) the total number of families in Karnataka eligible for IRDP benefits on the basis of poverty in Karnataka as per 1991 census and the number of families actually benefited; and

(d) what are the factors responsible for not covering all the families eligible for the benefit and what steps are taken for intensified implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) 576401 families were benefited under IRDP during the period 1990-91 to 1994-95 (upto February, 1995) in Karnataka.

(b) During the period 1990-91 to 1994-95 (upto February, 1995) the total amount of subsidy utilised and loan disbursd by Banks under the IRDP is as follows:—

(Rs. lakhs)

Subsidy utilised	Loan disbursed
16020.91	24786.02

(c) The total number of families in Karnataka eligible for IRDP benefits on the basis of poverty as per 1991 Census is not available. However as per 43rd Round (1987-88) of NSS, number of persons in rural areas below the poverty line was 1,02,80,000 (i.e. an approximate equivalent of 20.56 lakh families). Against this, the number of families benefited under IRDP during the period 1990-91 to 1994-95 (upto February, 1995) are 5,76,401 families.

(d) Limited resources and higher per capita investments are the main factors responsible for not covering all the families eligible for the benefit. However, each year a target is fixed for coverage under IRDP. Main steps taken up by the Government for improvement of IRDP are proper planning and identification of thrust areas block-wise and district-wise, identification of technically sustainable and economically viable projects within the managing capacities of the rural poor families, tying of backward and forward linkages, mobilising adequate credit support and marketing support.

"स्थानीय" क्षेत्र विकास योजना के अन्तर्गत संसद सदस्यों को प्रदान की गई धनराशि का उपयोग

5181. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या केन्द्र सरकार द्वारा